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In re Application of:

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

| APPLICATION NO. | FILING DATE | GROUP ART UNIT |
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| 08/899,055 | 07/.23/97 | 2723 |
| 09/022,973 | 02/12/98 | 2722 |
| 09/116,497 | 07/16/98 | 2721 |
| 09/320,570 | 05/27/99 | 2712 |
| 09/366,767 | 08/04/99 | 2721 |
| 09/384,965 | 08/30/99 | 2857 |
| 09/384,968 | 08/30/99 | 2721 |
| 09/385,430 | 08/30/99 | 2721 |

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), no copy of any cited U.S. Application is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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